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Sir:

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Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on
Japanese Patent Application No. 9-196759, filed in Japan on
July 23, 1997.

A certified copy of the above-mentioned Japanese Patent
Application was filed in prior application Serial No.
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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3. ☒ Drawing(s) 35 USC 113 [Total Sheets 10]
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- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed) [Note Box 5 below]
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if application, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney (when there is an assignment)
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12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
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14. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.
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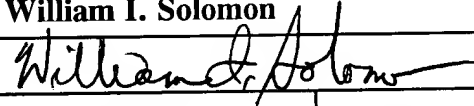
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